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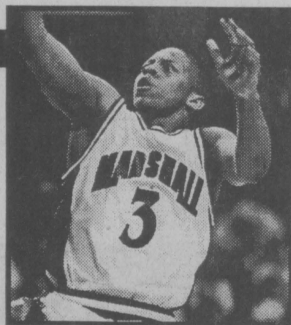
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Friday, Feb. 20, 1998

New-look bookstore opens

Merchandise reorganization causes delay in Grand Opening

by MARIA CHAPMAN
reporter

Marshall University Bookstore is open for business on the first floor of the Memorial Student Center.

Although the grand opening is not scheduled until April 20, as of Wednesday the bookstore's newly finished addition has been open for students, faculty and staff to browse and buy.

"We didn't want to close completely because there are so many students who just need to run in for an envelope or a blue book," said Mike Campbell, manager of the bookstore.

The store was temporarily housed in the basement and second level of the student center during the \$1.5 million renovation.

An additional 7,700 square feet was added for a total of 15,000 square feet now that construction is complete.

Campbell said having everything in one location will be more convenient for all the store's customers.

"We have textbooks, clothing, gifts, art supplies, and



Photo by Vicente Alcaniz

Students and faculty can browse through the new 1.5 million dollar bookstore before its Grand Opening scheduled for April 12.

pleasure reading all in one location," Campbell said.

Even though the store is open, merchandise and shelving units are still arriving.

"We didn't have a warehouse to store new merchandise in, so we couldn't have everything in place when we opened," Campbell said.

Among other items still being organized are the Hallmark Cards. Campbell said representatives from Hallmark will be coming to reset the card displays.

Some of the bookstore's merchandise and shelving units are still in the two previous locations. Campbell said they will be completely empty by Saturday.

A large shipment of new units, merchandise and glass display cases is expected to arrive Wednesday, and will be an additional step toward finishing the move, Campbell said.

The reason for a delayed grand opening, he said, is the time it will take to organize all

the new and old merchandise. "We wanted to give ourselves opportunity to plan for everything," Campbell said.

Plans for the grand opening are still in the early stages but Campbell said they plan to have several giveaways.

"With cooperation from vendors we hope to giveaway items like televisions, CD players and nice golf bags," Campbell said.

There are also plans to have a remote broadcast from a radio station.

New PC Center being planned

Facility to fill MSC basement

by MARIA CHAPMAN
reporter

Memorial Student Center officials are planning to help students with their computer interests and problems.

A personal computer service center in the basement of the student center, in space previously occupied by the bookstore, is being planned.

All bookstore operations now are located in the new building on the first floor.

Student Center Manager Karen E. Kirtley said the new PC service center was one of the items discussed at the first Memorial Student Center Governing Board meeting Wednesday.

Another matter discussed at the meeting was a request by student activities that room 2W37, now a meeting room, be turned into an organizational room to be used exclusively by student groups.

The board will vote on this topic at its next meeting.

Another item on the agenda was a request from the

American Medical Women's Association to use the student center after hours without paying a fee. Usually there is a \$75 per hour fee to use the center after hours.

The board also elected officers during the first meeting. Vicki Bennett was elected chair. "The chair runs the meetings and gets together the agenda items working with myself," Kirtley said.

Adam Martin was elected vice-chair. Martin's responsibility as vice-chair will be to function as chair if Bennett is unable to attend a meeting, Kirtley said.

The secretary, whose task will be to take minutes at each meeting, will be Stephanie Collazo.

Wednesday's meeting was the first of the semester.

At the first meeting you just pretty much hand out the constitution and discuss the governing board a bit, which is what we did," Kirtley said.

Kirtley said there was also discussion to acquaint the new members with changes in the student center due to remodeling.

Dean says students can still get degrees

CSD degree candidates must discuss schedules

by NICOLE M. WRIGHT
reporter

Marshall's science dean says he is confident majors in computer science and software development can complete their degrees even though the program is being phased out.

After two meetings with computer science and software development majors, Dr. Thomas A. Storch, dean of the College of Science, said students who are motivated will get through the program.

Storch said now the students must meet with Dr. Robert B. Hayes, chairman of computer science, to discuss course scheduling.

He said computer science majors should meet with Hayes because certain classes will be discontinued after a couple of semesters.

"If students talk to Hayes he will give them a road map outlining courses to complete," Storch said.

Storch said Marshall still will have computer degrees available.

Other four-year computer programs available are management information systems

in the College of Business, and College of Science's information technology in the integrated science and technology program.

Computer technology is the only two-year option in the Community and Technical College, Storch said.

Even though other computer options are available, Storch would like computer science and software development majors to stay in the program.

"I am not encouraging students to transfer. We want to keep as many students as possible in the program," Storch said. "But if students want to transfer to one of the other options, we will help them."

"Meeting the needs of the students is important, so graduates will have a solid competency in computers and find good jobs," Storch said.

The remaining four faculty members in the Department of Computer Science and Software Development will continue to teach and will eventually be assigned to other academic units, Storch said.

"They will have new assignments and bring their expertise to the other departments."

Only three to four graduates a year and duplication of computer programs are the main reasons for phasing out the program, Storch said. Students will be accepted into the program until April 1.

Pay raises may be unfair to women

by KAREN LOUDIN
reporter

President J. Wade Gilley says he is concerned that basing faculty pay raises on years of teaching might be unfair to women because many of them have not been teaching as long as men.

The formula used to calculate faculty pay raises currently includes the length of time the faculty member has worked for the university. Gilley said he believes this policy could be discriminatory.

Gilley said he is recommending the Faculty Senate Personnel Committee review the system of allocating raises to determine if it is fair.

This past week, Marshall's faculty e-mail system had scores of faculty exchanges about plans to limit the number of years of teaching that would be considered in granting

faculty raises. The majority opposed such limitations.

"The question has risen about the way we calculate longevity and how it affects women," Gilley said in an interview this week. "I think longevity ought to be part of pay raise calculations, but it can not discriminate against women."

State colleges and universities are required by law to allocate faculty salaries based on merit and market.

Although not mandated by state legislation, years of service may also be incorporated into the formula.

Gilley said he is concerned continuing to factor longevity into the formulation of pay raises will lead to an unequal distribution of the faculty increase pool to colleges and schools.

Gilley said calculations he has received show including longevity to be unfair.

"The question has risen about the way we calculate the longevity and how it affects women."

— J. Wade Gilley,
president

"We are not talking about the amount of funds to be distributed — that is established by state formulation — but rather how that pool of funds

will be distributed to faculty and especially to colleges and schools," Gilley said.

"The higher the percentage of women in a college or school, the lower their allocation of salary increase funds would be if longevity, as now formulated, were utilized."

If the current formula is used, the School of Nursing with 100 percent female faculty members and the College of Education and Human Services with more than 75 percent women professors would be most affected, data shows.

"I'm reluctant to give women smaller raises just because they have not been here as long."

Gilley said if rank, discipline and market are used, there is one target, but if longevity is factored using Marshall's current formula, then there is a radical change.

Campus groups support women's council

by AMANDA TERRY
reporter

Women will have more input in campus happenings if Leah Tolliver and Dr. Dee Cockrille have anything to do with it.

Cockrille, dean of student affairs, and Tolliver, director of the Women's Center, are joining forces to promote the Dean's Council on Women.

The council is looking for women that are involved with

various groups around campus.

"We're looking for women connected with groups already," said Tolliver. "We're looking to identify women and their needs on Marshall's campus."

Tolliver said the council is a wonderful opportunity for women to voice their opinion and any women interested can become involved.

"Right now anyone can

come," Tolliver said. "This is a chance for non-traditional students, like those with families and jobs, to have their voices heard."

Cockrille said the council will be important to Marshall University.

"We're looking into how we can enhance women's empowerment around campus," Cockrille said.

"We're going to take their ideas for programming next

semester."

The first meeting for the Dean's Council on Women is set for March 12.

Both Cockrille and Tolliver said this is a chance for women to voice issues of concern and help advocate these issues.

"We're really excited. This is a wonderful opportunity," Tolliver said. "It empowers women to have some input on what goes on around campus."

Parking tops list of gripes

by BUTCH BARKER
reporter

In a perfect world there would be no parking problems and good dormitory food would be offered, according to some Marshall University students.

During an informal survey Tuesday, 10 Marshall students were asked to address their major complaints involving the university. Of those surveyed, four said they had no major concerns with the campus. However, six agreed there are many problems students are forced to deal with.

Topping the list of problems were parking congestion for commuters and unpleasant dormitory food for campus residents.

William R. Boyle, Huntington junior and criminal justice major, said he faces major parking problems daily.

"I pay for a parking permit and cannot park in my designated area," Boyle said. "Actually, people probably would not

believe why my parking area is congested."

Boyle said construction workers for the bookstore addition and the library are parking in commuter spots, including disabled student spaces.

"I, like many Marshall students, am disabled, therefore, I need a space close to campus to limit walking," Boyle said. "The construction workers neglect parking laws and do not have to face the fines students do."

Brooke M. Plummer, South Point, Ohio, freshman and special education major, agreed parking is a problem.

"The parking meters are limited to two hours, so if a student has classes back to back, they will probably return to their car and find a ticket waiting," Plummer said.

Jessica K. Slone, Hamlin freshman and business major, said she fights for a parking space every day.

"It is sometimes impossible to find a space close enough to campus," Slone

said. "Luckily, I have understanding professors. They usually do not say anything when I am late due to parking problems."

Non-commuters may not have many parking problems, but they have problems of their own, according to some students.

Philip S. Knapp, St. Albans sophomore and criminal justice major, said overcrowded cafeterias and "indigestible" food are major problems concerning dormitory residents.

"The food is not of top quality and if there is something digestible offered, the lunch and dinner crowds are horrible," Knapp said. "The cafeteria should consider changing its hours. Too many students flock there at the same time."

Aaron D. Latsha, Harrisburg, Pa., sophomore, agrees with Knapp.

"The food is usually under or over cooked. Actually, I do not think they can do anything right in the cafeteria," Latsha said. "We pay too much money for meal plans to be served garbage."

Greeks taught how to avoid sexual assault

by AMANDA TERRY
reporter

Fraternity and sorority members will receive an in-depth report on dealing with sexual assault.

Leah Tolliver, director of the Women's Center, and Greg Pickens, campus police officer, will conduct sexual assault programs in each of the houses this semester.

"We're scheduling right now with all of them," Tolliver said. "They are really interested, we're being invited into the houses. They want to be educated."

Tolliver said the program was an excellent chance to inform a large group of people at one time.

"It reaches a large number of people," Tolliver said. "We are taking this opportunity to be able to point out the changes in the student handbook concerning sexual assault."

The program will focus on a wide variety of subjects, from what to do if you have been a victim of sexual assault to tips on keeping yourself safe.

"We educate women on how alcohol could be a factor in sexual assault, but we need to educate men on the same thing," Tolliver said. "We do men a disservice if we don't make them aware of the actions that can lead to assault."

The program will also touch on the subject of the date rape

drug Rohypnol.

"One of the things Hoffman-La Roche, the maker of the drug, is doing is making the pill more detectable," Tolliver said. "If the pill is slipped into a beverage it releases a bright blue color."

Tolliver said the reality is that the drug that does not show up is still out there.

"We at the Women's Center have experience in dealing with sexual assault," Tolliver said. "This is a great way to let students know who to contact if they have a problem."

Dr. Donnalee Cockrille, dean of student affairs, agrees that it is important to educate students on the subject of sexual assault.

"We are working on educat-

ing everyone, all men and women's groups," Cockrille said. "We think that this is important and timely information for our students."

Tolliver doesn't want students to think fraternities and sororities are the only groups that need to be educated.

"By us going into the houses we're not saying that fraternities and sororities are more at risk," Tolliver said.

"We're just trying to bring more attention to the risks in general."

The programs will run from 45 minutes to an hour, depending on the number of questions from students. The first program will be Sunday at 7 p.m. at the Tau Kappa Epsilon house.

Bookstore 'challenges' students

by ERIN DOWARD
reporter

Putting their creative and design skills to work could earn students up to \$2,500 and also help others improve their reading.

Follett College Stores, USA Today and Aramark Campus Services will sponsor the sixth annual Collegiate Challenge. The contest is to promote individual volunteerism by teaching others to read.

"Being able to read is an essential part of life," said James W. Baumann, president of Follett College Stores. "Follett is proud to play a part in encouraging those who can read to help those who cannot."

Students should develop an advertisement 13 inches wide by 21 inches deep promoting literacy through volunteerism in local communities. Advertisements can include any length of copy, illustrations or photography. An essay explaining the design must also be included.

Entry forms can be picked up in the Marshall University Bookstore. All entries by teams or individuals must be submitted by March 27 and winners will be published the week of

May 4. First place winners will receive \$2,500 and have their ad published in USA Today. Second place will receive \$1,000 and third place \$500.

"The Collegiate Challenge is exciting because it promotes awareness on our college campuses of a widespread national problem," said Diane Barret, USA Today director of national retail sales. "USA Today is committed to education, especially the importance of reading."

Entries will be judged by a panel from the USA Today staff and advertising experts. The winner will be chosen on the basis of concept and originality.

"The 'challenge' for students is to address the problem of illiteracy and to inspire volunteerism in the community," Baumann said.

Red Cross seeks donors

by TONIA HOLBROOK
reporter

Students who have missed in participating in campus blood drives have another chance Tuesday at the Campus Christian Center.

The American Red Cross will be conducting the blood drive in the Fellowship Hall from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. If more room is necessary, students may be moved to either the Green or Blue Room.

Susie Wade, donor marketing specialist for the American Red Cross, said donations at Marshall are down this year. "There is no reason we shouldn't collect

1,500 units at Marshall yearly. We don't have anywhere near what we should," Wade said.

She said she hopes to receive 70 donations of blood Tuesday. To ensure 70 suitable donations are made, 84 people need to donate, she said.

No pre-registration is necessary. Donors are required to be at least 17 years-old, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in generally good health. Because of possible spread of hepatitis, the American Red Cross also restricts those who have received a tattoo in the last year from donating.

"We need everyone to share their good health with us," Wade said.



Police blotter

by BLAINE MULLINS
reporter

The following information was taken from the MU Public Safety police reports:

■ Police received a report involving battery from a student who was walking on campus Feb. 8 at 2:30 a.m.

The victim claims four unidentified males approached him while walking between Old Main and the Drinko Library construction site. They reportedly started hitting him, knocking him to the ground and kicking him. One attacker reportedly took his wallet. All four ran toward Fourth Avenue. Police have no suspects.

■ A female student reported that an unknown male struck her on her left cheek Friday as she was walking between 17th Street and College Avenue at 3:17 p.m. She was unable to give a description of the suspect.

■ Police arrested Jonathan L. Fox, 20, of Holderby Hall, Friday for unlawful drinking underage after he was released from Cabell-Huntington Hospital for severe alcohol consumption.

Officers responded to a call at 12:30 a.m. regarding an injured person in Holderby Hall. Fox reportedly was found unconscious on the floor of his dorm room. Police said they were unable to revive him, and he was then transported to Cabell-Huntington Hospital.

Fox was released from the hospital and was arrested, police say.

■ A student reported unknown persons had damaged his vehicle Wednesday while it was parked in front of Holderby Hall.

The incident was reported at 2:12 p.m. Damage to the 1995 White Suzuki included a cracked side-view mirror with a broken cover, a dented side-front fender and a dented driver-side door with the paint scratched. Police have no suspects.

■ A complainant reported Wednesday that the lock on his 1990 Ford truck

was damaged while the vehicle was parked on the S-Lot. Police say he believes this occurred on Feb. 3. They have no suspects.

■ Police received a report Tuesday from a female who is not a student claiming unknown persons chipped her vehicle's front window on the passenger side with an object. Her black 1984 Ford Ltd. was parked in the Area K Lot.

■ A member of the coaching staff reported Wednesday that an antique tobacco holder was stolen from the MU Facilities Building. The incident was reported at 10:22 a.m. In addition, the unknown persons reportedly stole a National Collegiate Athletic Association plaque from the hallway.

■ Police received a report Saturday from a male student stating that his wallet was stolen from his dorm room in Hodges Hall. The incident was reported at 9:15 p.m. The victim claimed he left his room to go the restroom. When he returned, he said his wallet was stolen from his pant pockets. Police say the door was left unlocked.

■ A similar report occurred Wednesday at 12:04 a.m. from a male student who said his wallet was stolen from his room in Twin Towers East.

The victim reportedly left his room at 9:15 p.m. and returned to find his wallet stolen at 10:15 p.m. The wallet was later found in the stairwell with \$40 missing. Police say his door was also unlocked.

■ A male student reported a theft of \$20 cash and four rings from a locker in the Henderson Center pool area Tuesday. The victim reportedly placed his belongings in his locker while attending class and find them stolen when he returned. Police say there was no lock on the locker.

■ Police received a call at 12:40 p.m. Monday from a faculty member who reported a Microsoft mouse missing from the Science Building Room 496. Police have no suspects.

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Albright travels to Tennessee State University

Secretary of state continues discussions on Iraq

by **BARRY SCHWEID**
Associated Press Writer

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — A day after hecklers tried to drown her out, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright told a more subdued college audience Thursday the United States wants to limit civilian casualties if it decides to bomb Iraq.

She said the U.S. will use force if diplomacy fails to persuade Saddam Hussein to open his weapons sites to full inspection.

"We are going to do our utmost not to have civilian casualties," said Albright, a former university professor.

"There will be some. We have selected our targets very carefully."

In Washington, President Clinton said Saddam should not be emboldened by Wednesday's raucous dissent. "Not if he understands the first thing about America," Clinton told reporters. "I believe strongly that most Americans support our policy. They support our resolve."

The gathering at Tennessee State University sharply contrasted with a forum at Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio, where hecklers Wednesday tried to drown out Albright, Secretary of Defense William Cohen and Sandy Berger, the national security adviser.

Albright condemned Saddam as a tyrant who threatens his neighbors and used chemical weapons against his own people. "He's a repeat offender," she said.

"Ultimately, biology will work and he will disappear. We sure would like to deal with a different regime. But until that happens we will keep him in his box."

"We are going to do our utmost not to have civilian casualties. There will be some. We have selected our targets very carefully."



— **Madeleine Albright**,
secretary of state

A few protesters were outside, including one with a sign that said, "Spare Iraq's children."

Inside, some students were not convinced that the United States should use force.

"From what I hear, it is a political ploy. She is dodging the question," said Jonathan Little, a junior from Nashville.

"The issue of women and children has not been brought across."

Constance Carlisle, a junior from Toledo, Ohio, told a

reporter, "Force may be necessary now, but I think it could have been avoided if we had been tougher" with Saddam in the Persian Gulf war seven years ago.

"Our goal ... may not seem really decisive. But we're trying to contain Saddam Hussein. Whenever he puts his head up, we push him back. We are doing what must be done," Albright said yesterday on NBC's "Today" show.

"We know what we have to do," Albright said on NBC. Unless Saddam gives United Nations' inspectors unfettered and unlimited access to weapons sites, "We will be using force and the American people will be behind us," she said.

"If we have to use force, it is because we are America. We are the indispensable nation. We stand tall. We see further into the future," she said.

Albright said most Americans back administration policy and the officials will continue to explain the policy to the nation.

"A couple of dozen students disrupting it is something that takes away from the spirit of the project, which is to try to talk to the American people about the stakes and American foreign policy," she said on ABC's "Good Morning America."

The protesters at Ohio State were far outnumbered by supporters and the undecided at St. John arena. But from the outset, she began with the assertion, "Iraq is a long way from Ohio, but what happens there matters here." Albright, Cohen and Berger were confronted by jeering that sometimes drowned them out.

Others rose to the microphones with polite but sharp questions about U.S. goals in Iraq. The majority of the students, faculty and others in the audience did listen.

Members of Aryan Nation accused of plotting attack

FBI suspects pair of planning subway attack with bacteria

by **DONNA DE LA CRUZ**
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Two members of the Aryan Nation have been arrested in Nevada and accused of plotting a bacterial attack on the New York City subways, an FBI source said Thursday.

The source, who spoke in New York on condition of anonymity, provided no other details. The Aryan Nation is a white supremacist group.

The FBI in Nevada said that two men were taken into custody in a luxury car outside a doctor's office in Henderson, Nev., near Las Vegas.

FBI spokesman Aurelio Flores in Las Vegas said only the matter was "serious." He said different teams from around the country are "coming in to look at what we have."

Flores said the FBI has secured the area where the car was found and had "made everything safe." He said the agency was not looking for explosives.

The New York source said the suspects allegedly plann-

ed to release a "dangerous bacterial substance" in the subways.

In Washington, a federal law enforcement source said agents were investigating allegations that the two men arrested in Las Vegas possessed anthrax.

The source stressed that the tests were not complete and that there have been unfounded instances in the past involving allegations of anthrax.

Anthrax is an infectious disease that usually afflicts only animals, especially cattle and sheep.

But Anthrax spores can be produced in a dry form suitable for weapons and can be fatal to humans even in microscopic amounts.

New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, speaking generally about the threat of terrorism, said: "Every part of America, every part of the world, is vulnerable to terrorism. There is no way to make an open society, a democracy, invulnerable to terrorism or to criminal acts. Short of closing down America and closing down the city of New York, it would be impossible to do that."

The mayor added, "It is impossible to have a police officer every place. That would be unrealistic ..."

briefs

WASHINGTON (AP) — Imagine the president of the United States standing in your living room — asking you and a few of your richest friends to ante up for the Democratic Party.

It's a political mover's dream that President Clinton is indulging lately, even though the amounts the debt-plagued Democrats get in these intimate settings are nowhere near the millions of dollars they've been known to raise in one single, glitzy swoop through a hotel ballroom.

Wednesday night, Clinton was the featured attraction at a pair of fund-raisers in private homes in Washington's

tony Georgetown section that netted \$500,000 for the Democratic National Committee and \$250,000 for a Virginia congressman's re-election campaign.

Tonight, Clinton will deliver his living room spiel again, this time at a home in New Jersey.

About 30 people donated up to \$25,000 per couple for an evening with the president.

That event is expected to raise \$400,000 for the DNC.

Clinton also spoke at a Democratic Business Council luncheon in Baltimore Thursday.

That effort will raise \$300,000.

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Leaving time to plan may reduce stress

Courtney OSTAFF
columnist

If you're like many college students this semester, you're fairly stressed out. The university has some places you can go for help. One good resource is the student counseling center on the first floor of Prichard Hall, Fifth Avenue side. All students can receive free counseling on any topic, and there are three counselors on staff to help students. Your adviser can help as well, if you're confused about class requirements, major requirements, and the like. If, like me, you get sick when you get stressed, student health service is available on Sixth Avenue in the big red brick building. If class work is killing you, then the tutoring office might be a good idea. Every student is entitled to two free hours of peer tutoring per week per class. Students move a lot, and that is stressful as well. Student legal aid can help with renter's insurance, leases, and other hassles.

One way to avoid stress is to carefully plan your time, and include time to relax and play. If you do that 25 page research paper over the course of the semester instead of the last two weeks of school, then finals will be that much easier. Sleep is also critical to student health. Many people don't sleep enough, or have irregular sleep patterns. The average person needs about eight hours of sleep per night, uninterrupted. REM (rapid eye movement) sleep is necessary for good health, and interruptions prevent one from attaining that stage of sleep. Another way to stay de-stressed is to eat properly. The average active adult needs 2000 calories per day made up of fat, carbohydrates, minerals, proteins, and water. In fact, some people actually manage not to eat enough fat - 30 grams per day is a good goal or limit. Fruit and vegetables should make up the majority of one's diet, according to some researchers. Take care of yourself so that you can have the stamina to last the semester.



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Blacks have to 'overcome' some things whites may not

Travis WILLIAMS
guest columnist

The plight of the Black people in America is a peculiar situation. You are not heard but, if you scream someone may raise a brow. At times you feel invisible, accepted just enough to make life in America seem integrated and politically acceptable. You are the last hired and the first fired, and if you do well the system tries to make you feel guilty by insisting that the way you got there was through affirmative action. At times I feel like I'm walking on stolen property, with whites insisting they own the deeds to the American dream. As a black man or woman there are certain things you have to overcome that whites for the most part do not have to deal with.

Hidden behind a cloud of Constitutional amendments, black people are seen as different in America. They are seen as having their own unique set of problems outside the concerns of white America. Whites rarely admit any guilt for the economic or social conditions of Black folks. Between 1970 and 1990 white families median income rose from \$34,481 to \$36,915 an increase of 8.7 percent. During that same time black families median income dropped from \$613 to \$580 for

every \$1,000 received by whites. Because this statistic was taken from whites and blacks with the same socioeconomic status, the only difference was the race variable. This grim statistic leads one to accept the fact that because of so many years behind closed doors racism, racism has become institutionalized. Forever effecting the future endeavors and dreams that blacks have of "making it." The statistic above is scary but not surprising. It proves what black people have known all along. No matter what you do as a black man or woman your pay will not be equal to that of whites. And if your pay is equal, it does not excuse the fact that in general across the board whites with the same credentials as their black counterparts have on average made more money.

The 1980's were particular hard for blacks. The unemployment rate never dropped below 11.4 percent and in 1983 it was 19.5 percent. In comparison, the white unemployment rate never rose above 8.6 percent and in 1983 their unemployment rate was 8.4 percent. When I hear people talking about those glorious Reagan years it makes me wanna holler and ask what was old money bags Reagan doing to help those in need, especially blacks who were suffering the most economically? Not only are we deprived from a fair chance at economic gain but socially we deal with so much.

To be black is to be mental-

ly strong. Every black person on this campus that enters as a freshmen has really beaten the odds, and if you graduate it is definitely an accomplishment. I say that not to imply that if whites graduate it is not as special to them as it is to us. But for some blacks Higher Education is not just an opportunity to get a degree it is a way out of the projects, an opportunity to get away from drugs and violence that many whites can not even imagine. Out of sixteen guys I grew up with, nine have spent time in prison on felony charges, two of them are still serving time, two were shot, one stabbed, and was gunned down-shot dead at the age of seventeen. Only six went to college and out of those six only three have graduated. And I'm from a small town in West Virginia imagine what it must be like for blacks in the inner city.

Crime and violence are just some of the obstacles we face, just to go to college. Then when you get here and you are serious about your work some whites look at you with an eye of curiosity. As if actually doing work and sitting in front of the classroom is an odd thing for blacks to do. And I find it funny when whites look at a black when they say something intelligent or seem to grasp a concept they can not get. I always found it particular interesting as an undergrad when I would respond to a question and a white person would never fail to challenge my answer. Then

when they found out I was right they would just expand on my response. In America Black folks are constantly dealing with the economic ball and chain of institutionalize racism, and have to consistently be mindful of the double standards that exists between whites and blacks.

It is a shame that I will have to eventually tell my children like my father told me that, "...there are places you can go and places you can't go...and it is best that you know them because it is for your own good." As a boy it took me a while to realize that my African heritage made a difference in the way people treated me. Sure you have exceptions to the rule, like Cosby, Jordan, and other entertainers and athletes but for the majority of black folks our blackness is a tricky game. It takes a while to learn and when you finally learn the game you may not actually understand it.

However, what we do know for sure is that the system does see color and Blacks in that respect do consistently get the short end of the stick. It is a shame but the hard truth and it is up to all of us white, black, and in between to put forth an effort not to hate but to understand. To help not hurt. To be critical of the system and not each other. I know it sounds almost impossible. That's why it is such a peculiar situation.

Williams, is a Dunbar graduate student.

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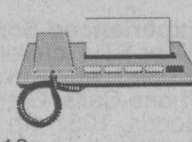
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Herd hopes to continue MAC streak

by **ROBERT HARPER**
reporter

Marshall made it four conference games in a row Wednesday night as the Bowling Green Falcons fell to the Herd 70-52.

Derrick Wright led the Herd's balanced attack with 14 points, 7 rebounds, and 4 blocks. Deon Dobbs added 13 points off the bench and Terrell McKelvy had 12 points and 15 rebounds for his fourth double-double of the season.

With Marshall down 11-10 with 9:36 to go in the first half, the Herd went on a 21-2 run, scoring the last 16 points of the half. With the run, Marshall grounded any hopes of an upset by Bowling Green.

After the game the players said that the West Virginia game may have come at a good time. "We used the West Virginia game as motivation and just came in and played as good as we could against Bowling Green," said Dobbs.

"West Virginia really helped us out, they were a big team and we came out here and it seemed like their plays were nothing," said Wright.

Marshall won the battle on the glass 43-28, led by McKelvy's 15.

"I thought they pounded us inside. And if you're going to play us, what the hell. It's like telling Noah about the flood," said Bowling Green Head Coach Dan Dakich.

Coach Greg White attributed the team's win to good solid defense. "I think we played a very good defensive game. The best that we have played all year," said White.

Marshall heads next to Miami, Ohio to take on the

"I think we played a very good defensive game. The best we have played all year."

— **Greg White,**
Men's basketball
head coach

Redhawks. The Herd lost to Miami 71-54 in the Cam Henderson Center in January.

In the game against Miami, Derrick Wright had 19 points and 13 rebounds his first double-double of the season.

"Every MAC game is a big game, Guard Travis Young said. "We need to take one game at a time."

A win over Miami would make the streak five in a row and give Marshall a little breathing room over the dreaded eighth place position in the MAC. If the season were to end today Marshall would be seventh in the MAC and would play Western Michigan.

To ensure a tournament berth, Marshall must win all of its remaining games. "I just want to be in the tournament," McKelvy said.

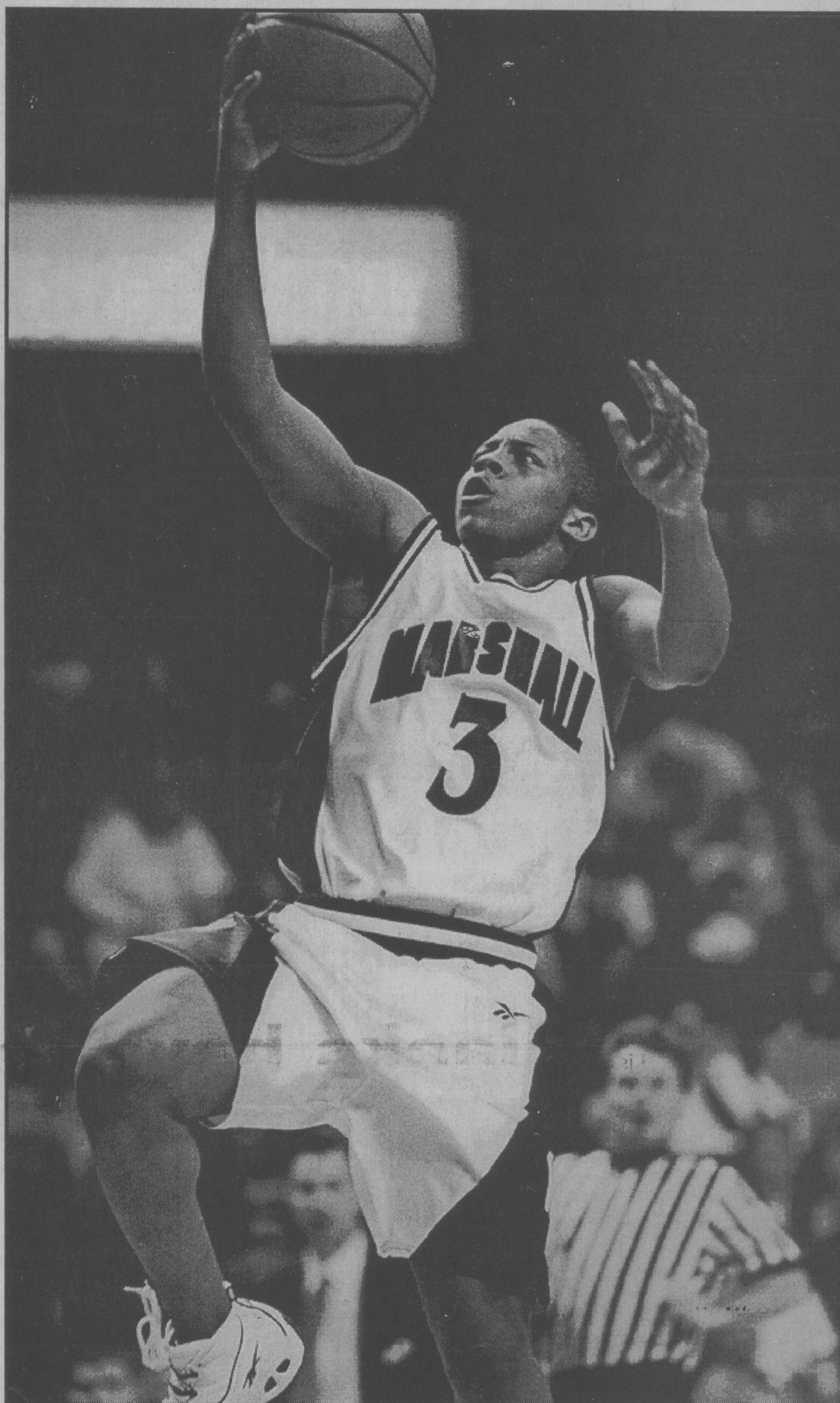


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Travis Young goes up for a basket Monday night against WVU in the annual Capitol Classic played at the Charleston Civic center.

Marshall print to benefit Big Green

The Big Green Scholarship Foundation unveiled a print that celebrates the achievements of the 1997 Marshall football team.

The prints feature Randy Moss, Chad Pennington and Doug Chapman and are on sale for \$20.

Benefits from the sale of the print will assist the Big Green Scholarship Foundation

Women hope to bounce back

Lady Herd looking for win at home

by **CHIP TUCKER**
reporter

Marshall's women's basketball team, after an up and down week on the road, will return home Saturday afternoon to play the Miami RedHawks.

Marshall, near the bottom in Mid-American Conference with three wins and 12 losses, will play Miami at the Henderson Center at 1 p.m. The Herd is 8-18 overall. Miami is 11-13 overall and 8-8 in the MAC.

The women started the week off Monday with a 68-63 victory over in-state rival West Virginia at the Charleston Civic Center. They then lost Wednesday night at Bowling Green.

Mid-American Conference powerhouse Bowling Green gained their second conference win of the season from the women Herd.

Marshall's last lead of the game was 5-3 after a jumper from Brandy Robertson with 18:42 left in the first half. Natal Rosko hit a jumper with 4:56 left in the half, which made the score 32-30 Bowling Green. The Falcons did not allow the Herd to get any closer the entire night. Bowling Green was up 49-39 at the half.

Marshall trailed by as many as 24 points in the second half. The Herd could not roll over the high flying Falcons. The Falcons soared to an 86-69 victory.

Kristina Behnfeldt scored 16 points, nine rebounds, and had six steals for Marshall. She played 37 minutes Wednesday night.

Marshall had two other players score in double digits. Cindy McCauley chipped in 13 points while Aisha Byrd put in 11.

Sara Puthoff, who is second on Bowling Green's all-time scoring list, had 15 points in just 24 minutes of play. Charlotta Jones led the Falcons with 17 points and seven boards. Jacki Raterman managed to get 14 points and eight rebounds during the contest.

Marshall only had 30 boards Wednesday, which does not even come close to head coach Juliene Simpson's goal of 50 rebounds a game.

Bowling Green was 22-32 from the field in the first half. The Falcons made 68 percent of their shots. Their shooting percentage fell to 42 percent in the second half.

Marshall was 12-28 from the field in the first half which means the Herd hit 42 percent of its shots. Shooting percentages fell for the Lady Thunder in the second half. The women Herd made only 31 percent of their shots.

With the win Bowling Green improved its record to 19-5 overall and 14-2 in the MAC.

Opinions mixed over sports facilities upgrade

by **MATT ISNER**
reporter

Most Marshall students responding to an informal survey Thursday said they think spending \$15 million to help build and improve sports facilities is a good idea.

In an informal poll of 15 students, the question was asked, "Do you think it is a good idea for Marshall to spend \$15 million on sports facilities?"

Ten of the 15 students said they thought it is a good, idea while five thought the money should be used for other things.

Chris J. Kiley, a freshman criminal justice major from Wayne, said, "It's a good idea because they can have better games and bring in more teams."

"You are putting money into something that will bring money back in," Stacey A. Denovichik, sophomore history major from Barboursville, said. "Overall, it is a good idea if you look at the whole picture."

"It's a good idea because you can always better the campus," Tyrone I. McNeely, pre-med freshman from Philadelphia, said.

Chris D. Gray, senior basketball player from Maryland majoring in marketing, said, "If you look at all the other MAC schools, their facilities are really nice. We are just keeping up with the rest of the schools."

"Yes it is good because Marshall has a really good Athletic Department," Stephanie D. White, biological sciences

freshman from Kenova, said. "Not everyone can get to Morgantown to watch Marshall play WVU."

Jimmy A. Meeks, business freshman from South Charleston, said, "Any money to help our program develop and get up with other programs is a step in the right direction."

Students who did not agree with \$15 million being used for sports facilities said they thought it would be better used for academic programs and parking.

LaShunda D. Goard, criminal justice sophomore from South Charleston, said that spending the money for the facilities is ridiculous and that more emphasis should be put on education not athletics.

"When you start placing a higher emphasis on athletics, then you demean education as a whole."

"There is no money for mainstream educational programs like computer science, but there is money for AstroTurf," Goard said "Marshall needs to get its priorities straight."

Steven M. Pauley, senior English major from Winfield, said, "The money should be put toward scholarships." He said a lot of people need money to go to school and that is more important than football games.

"I think it's a waste of money," Tim R. Romans, sophomore history major from Chesapeake, Ohio, said. "The money should be used for other things like parking and improving buildings, the focus is too much on sports."

Mens rugby team prepares for season

by **ANDY BALLARD**
reporter

Marshall University's men's rugby team is preparing to kick off a new season.

Around 25 prospective players attended an interest meeting conducted by team president Scott Lewis, Williamstown junior, and Dennis Johnson, team coach.

Lewis and Johnson used the meeting to introduce the fundamentals of rugby, explained what kind of attitude they expected team members to have and touched on some general issues as well.

Lewis said a rugby game consists of two 45-minute halves, with a continuous running clock. The clock only stops if there is a severe injury to a player on the field. The ball, which looks like a football, but larger, can only be advanced by a backwards, underhand pitch.

After the rules had been explained, Coach Johnson told the recruits about his attitude on winning. "I don't want to be a part of this team if we don't win," Johnson stated. His demand for excellence comes from a history of being associated with winning rugby programs.

Johnson said he has played

in over 200 rugby matches and only lost around 10 games. He also coached the number one rated rugby player in the United States, Luke Gross.

Gross led Marshall's rugby team to an Ohio Union Rugby Championship in 1991. He is currently the captain of the U.S. Eagles, the United States national rugby team, and has been selected by the USA Rugby magazine to captain the men's Olympic rugby team in the 2000 games.

Marshall's rugby team will begin practicing this Sunday on the track field at noon. According to Johnson, they are still in need of players. He said, "There is a position for everybody on a rugby team. We need guys who are fast, guys who are short and guys who are big, but most important, we need to do another recruiting drive."

The rugby team does ask its members to pay dues. Lewis said, "We'll be asking for \$40 this semester to help cover the expenses of tournament entry fees which can run as high as \$250."

Anyone interested in playing rugby this semester may contact Scott Lewis, 696-3563, or attend practice this Sunday.

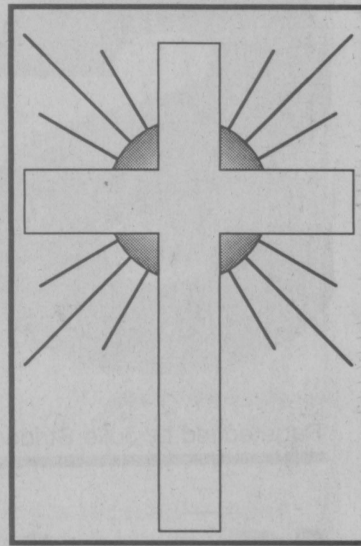
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Caroline's Spine

National band
rocks the shop



Story by SHAWN M. GAINER

A large crowd of students and area residents received a double dose of distortion, heavy backbeats and funky grooves when Caroline's Spine and Astro Pop performed at the Drop Shop Wednesday night.

Caroline's Spine, the headline act, has found national success with their single "Sullivan," which has climbed to the 24th position on the Billboard singles chart.

Their single "Turning Blue" is the tenth song on the American Werewolf in Paris soundtrack. Caroline's Spine performed both songs at the concert.

Astro Pop, the opening act, is a well-known local band that previously opened for Seven Mary Three.

Many students had been exposed to Caroline's Spine through WAMX which is 106.3 on the radio dial.

"I've been listening to 'Sullivan' on the radio for about a month now," Mark A. Roten, Lavalette junior, said. "I had to listen to it a few times to figure out what it was about but once I did, I thought it was really cool."

James D. Boles, a Huntington resident, said, "This is great — I love the intense energy level." Crowd response for Astro Pop was enthusiastic as well.

Michelle L. Currance, Huntington resident, said, "They are energetic and fun to watch."

Wednesday's concert was Astro Pop's last show with their current lead vocalist, Johnny Bryan, who is moving to St. Louis.

Jeff W. Cavender, Pinch junior and bassist for Astro Pop, said the band will conduct auditions for a new vocalist soon.

"We hope to release an album of our own after we get a new lead singer," Cavender said. "We were planning to release an album before Johnny Bryan decided to move."

Cavender also said he was grateful for the

promotion of the concert conducted by WAMX. "I feel they have done a really good job with the local music scene."

Caroline's Spine played for two hours, showing surprising disdain for the songs that have made them successful.

Jimmy Newquist, lead vocalist screamed into the microphone after performing. "There's the single, 'Sullivan.' If you came for that you can go now. Who's going to stay with us?"

Rather than a traditional ending composed of prominent songs, Caroline's Spine finished their performance with an enthusiastically played Led Zeppelin medley.

"We're big Led Zeppelin and Kiss fans," Newquist said after the concert.

Jennifer A. Young, Williamstown freshman, said she did not feel cheated by the unconventional finale.

"I thought the Led Zeppelin covers were awesome," Young said.

Newquist threatened to stop the concert after a fight occurred. "If there are any more fights, the show stops. We don't put up with that ...," Newquist said to the crowd. "You shouldn't have to put up with it either." There were no more disruptions after the fight.

Members of Caroline's Spine signed autographs after the concert and many said that they were pleased with the show.

Beth D. O'Bryan, Beckley resident, said, "Bands will come out and associate with the customers here. It was worth it for me to come from Beckley to see the show."

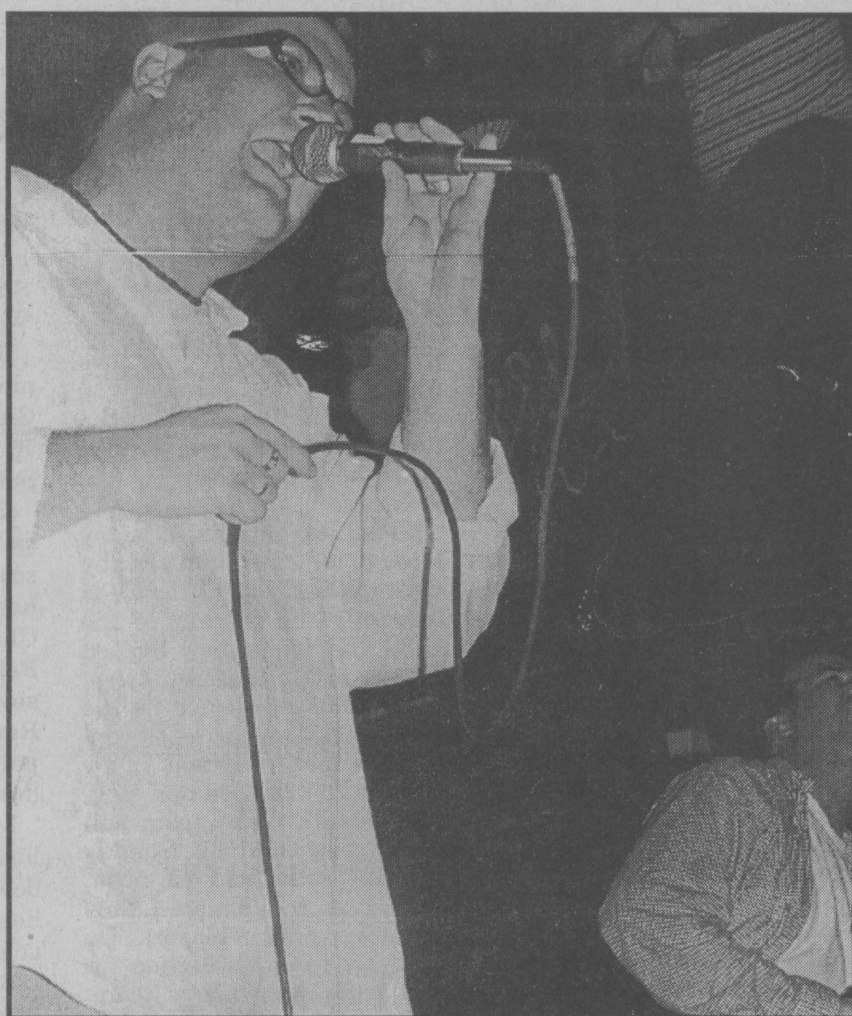
Kimberly L. Browning, Huntington sophomore said, "I paid three dollars to see a nationally known musical act. Of course I loved it."

Members of Caroline's Spine said they enjoyed the show as well.

Jason Gilardi, drummer, said, "We had a great time. The crowd was awesome."

"We'll be back soon," he said.

Local band, Astro Pop, opened for Caroline's Spine at the Drop Shop in downtown Huntington, Wednesday night. The band took the stage at about 11:30 p.m., and played into the midnight hour before turning the show over to the headline act. Wednesday's show marks the last performance for Astro Pop's lead singer, Johnny Bryan (right). The vocalist announced during the concert that he is leaving the group, and moving to St. Louis, Missouri. The remainder of the group plans to conduct interviews for a new lead vocalist soon, and work to release its first album.



Astro Pop guitarist Jeff Withrow took center stage for a guitar set, Wednesday night. The Huntington band played a nice mix of heavy and more mellow tunes at the live performance at the Drop Shop, including the crowd-moving song, "Not to me," towards the latter part of the act.

Photo by Alex Wilson



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Lead singer for Caroline's Spine Jimmy Newquist displays his ability to capture the crowd last night during a performance at the Drop Shop.